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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Revenue (H) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O. (P) No.32/2026/RD *Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 21st January, 2026.*

S. R. O. No. 90/2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 86 of the Kerala Revenue Recovery Act, 1968 (15 of 1968), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Kerala Revenue Recovery Rules, 1968 issued under notification No.36542/B3/68/RD. dated 29th November, 1968 and published as

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S.R.O. No.421/68 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 263 dated 7th December, 1968, namely:-

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement*.- (1) These rules may be called the Kerala Revenue Recovery (Amendment) Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come in to force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.-*

In the Kerala Revenue Recovery Rules, 1968,-

(1) in rule 5,-

(i) in sub-rule (3), for the words "service charge", the words "processing charge" shall be substituted;

(ii) after rule 5, the following rules shall be inserted, namely :-

"6. Where a property purchased as bought-in-land, the intimation to the defaulter and the sub-registry office concerned, in respect of changes made in the revenue records as per sub-section (5) of section 50 of the Act, shall be made as in Form 16 A.

7. Where the value of property calculated exceeds the dues payable by the defaulter, the balance amount payable to the defaulter as per sub-section (6) of section 50 of the Act, shall be paid over to the bank account of the defaulter by the Collector, through an online payment system, within ninety days from the date of confirmation of the sale.

8. After the initiation of revenue recovery proceedings, if a defaulter applies for postponement of further proceedings and to remit such arrear in installments, the Government may by an order, stay further proceedings for a period up to one year and allow the defaulter to remit the arrears in installment.

9. The District Collector or Tahsildar concerned, upon an application received from the defaulter, may also allow the defaulter by an order to remit the arrear amount in such number of installments as the Government may by an order allowed them from time to time.

Note 1: Nothing in this rule shall apply to revenue recovery proceedings initiated based on orders of Courts or Tribunals.

Note 2: If the defaulter after availing any of the installment payment option as above, fails to pay two consecutive installments, the order allowing payment in installments as the case may be will cease to operate and the regular revenue recovery proceedings without installments will be resumed."

3.In the Appendix to the said rules,- after "Form 16", the following form shall be inserted, namely: -

"FORM 16 A
[*See* sub-section (5) of Section 50 and Rule 6]

FORM OF INTIMATION OF CHANGE IN REVENUE RECORDS AS BOUGHT – IN-LAND

Office of the.....

Whereas, the immovable properties belonging to Shri/Smt..... (Name & address of the defaulter) mentioned in the schedule below have been attached for the recovery of

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arrears amounting to Rs..... and all other expenses); (amount including principal, interest and all other expenses);

And whereas, the undersigned has put on sale, the attached property in the schedule under public auction as per the provisions of section 49 of the Kerala Revenue Recovery Act, 1968;

And whereas, there is no bid / the highest bid is insufficient to satisfy the arrears, the scheduled property is purchased on behalf of Government/.....(Name of institution notified u/s 71 of the Act) for a bid amount of Rs.1/- or Rs. 1/- more than the bid amount.....(date);

And whereas, the Collector/Authorized Officer vide order No..... dated..... has duly confirmed the sale;

Now therefore, necessary changes have been made in the revenue records of .....Village with respect to the scheduled immovable property bid on behalf of the Government/----------(Name of the institution notified u/s 71 of the Act).

SCHEDULE

RRC.No.	District	Taluk	Village	Block No.	Survey No.	Sub division No.	TP No./ UTP No.	Extent	Classification	Boundaries	Details of Buildings, if any	Remarks
												Bought in - land (Government / Name of the institution notified u/s 71 of the Act.)

Given under my hand and seal at..... this..... day of .....(year)

Tahsildar.

To

1. The Defaulter [Name and Address]
2. The Institution under section 71 (concerned)
3. The Sub-Registrar (concerned)
4. The Tahsildar (LR) (concerned)
5. The Village Officer (concerned.)"

4. In Form 18, under the heading 'SPECIFICATION OF PROPERTY', the following note shall be inserted, namely: -

“Note: In the case of bought- in -land, sub-section 3 of section 50A of the Act will be binding on the Government or the Institution notified under section 71 of the Act, as the case may be."

5. In Form 18 A, in the table, after the heading 'SPECIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY', the following note shall be inserted, namely: -

“Note: In the case of bought-in-land, sub-section 3 of section 50A of the Act shall be binding on the Government or the Institution notified under section 71 of the Act, as the case may be."

By order of the Governor,
M .G. RAJAMANICKAM,
Secretary.

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Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Provisions pertaining to processing charges, attachment of property in proportion to the arrears of public revenue due on land, bidding on behalf of the Government or the institution notified under section 71 of the Kerala Revenue Recovery Act, 1968 (15 of 1968), bought-in-land and its re-conveyance, postponement of revenue recovery proceedings, grant of installments,moratorium, etc. have been incorporated in the said Act (15 of 1968) as per the Kerala Revenue Recovery (Amendment) Act of 2024 (17 of 2024). Hence, the Government have decided to amend the Kerala Revenue Recovery Rules of 1968 in tune with the amended provisions of the said Act.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

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